

**DDESS Facility Assessment
Pierce Terrace School
Fort Jackson, SC**

Pre-Survey Questionnaire

Please circle Yes or No and describe problem and area of the building where present if applicable.

- What are the biggest problems at the building? Do you receive continual complaints about your building systems? **NO. We all complain, however, about the absence of a weather shelter in front of the building. When it is raining pupils and staff get drenched at dismissal time.**
- Please list approximate age of building and building additions. **The building is 30 years old.**
- Are you aware of any structural problems in the building related to columns, beams, floor slabs, roof decking, load bearing walls or foundations? Y or N **NO**

Description:

- Are you aware of any roof problems or roof leaks? Y or N **The roof leaks around the inner stairwell skylights.**
- Is/are your roof/roofs still under warranty? Y or N, If yes, how much longer? **Do not know.**

Description:

- Are all your doors and windows operable? Y or N
If No, give examples and locations where they are not operable: **The doors and windows are operable. Some of the outside doors are in poor shape and for security reasons I have asked that they be replaced.**

- Have vertical transportation systems been inspected (elevators, chairlifts)? Y or N. Can you make available Inspection Reports? Y or N. **The elevator is inspected periodically. There is no electrical backup system, so when the power goes off the elevator stops. If staff members are inside the elevator with handicapped children they are stuck until the power returns. Over the years and for safety reasons (the elevator is small and some people are claustrophobic) I have asked for an emergency backup system. The requests have repeatedly been denied due to cost. I do not have records of inspections. Check with the District Office.**

Description:

- Have you had any problems with your fire alarm or security systems? Y or N
How are they monitored? **The fire alarm system works well and is monitored by the Fort Jackson Fire Department. The intruder alarm system has never worked even though several companies have tried to make it work.**

Description:

- On the outside of your building, are you aware of any dangerous or maintenance problem areas around the building whether due to traffic, storm water, tripping hazards, etc? Y or N

Description: **There is very limited parking and traffic is congested at arrival and dismissal times. Adults must be on duty outside at these times to assure the safety of children. Heavy rains occasionally force water into the lower classrooms through the outside doors.**

- Are you aware or do you suspect the presence of mold in your building? Y or N **Yes. We lose books in our library collections throughout the building due to the presence of mold.**
- Has an indoor air quality study been done on this facility and do you have a test report? Y or N. **If yes, please provide. A limited indoor air quality study was done in June 2002. If you will send me your FAX number I will send you a copy.**

Description:

- Have you had continual problems with the following plumbing items:
Please give examples and locations where "Y"

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| 1) Sewer Lines | Y | N |
| 2) Bathroom Fixtures | Y | N |
| 3) Water Pipes | Y | N |
| 4) Kitchen Equipment | Y | N |

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| 5) Grease Traps | Y | N |
| 6) Gas Piping | Y | N |

Descriptions: **The plumbing in the building is 30 years old. Many of the fixtures (children's bathrooms, etc.) are the original fixtures. There seem to be occasional problems in the kitchen (dishwasher, grease traps, etc.)**

- **Do you get many complaints of "too hot", "too cold" and "stuffy" and if so, what part of the building? Y or N**

Description: **Staff members always say that they feel fine until they come into the building, particularly after they return from summer holiday. No air quality report has substantiated their health concerns. Particularly during seasonal transitions the air in the building can be either too hot or too cold.**

- **Have recurring mechanical equipment problems been experienced? Y or N Has a piece of equipment recently failed or been replaced? Y or N We have replaced such items as hot water heaters. The wiring in the building is original and currently somewhat jerririgged. The air units on top of the building are about five years old??**

Descriptions:

- **Have you experienced continual or maintenance related problems with breakers, fuses, or overloaded circuits? Y or N Four to five times each year fuses blow and we lose power either throughout or in local areas of the building (particularly the school office area).**

Examples:

- **Do you have any utility metering information that you can provide us? Y orN NO Check with the District Office.**
- **Do you have adequate lighting and power for your classrooms, labs and library? Y or N YES**

Examples

RETURN TO:

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